

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please modify the paragraph that begins on page 16, line 17, as follows:

FIG. 6 is a schematic view of a computer system suitable for use with the present invention. The client computer system 100 may include, among other things, a processor 610, memory 620 and storage system 630. The processor 610 enables processing of licensing information. The memory 620 enables storing of information and instructions for processor ~~[[620]]~~ 610. The storage system 630 can be, for example, a magnetic or optical disk system, which stores large amounts of information and instructions on a relatively long-term basis. The processor 610, memory 620, and storage system 630 are coupled to a bus 640, which provides a high-speed means for devices connected to the bus 640 to communicate with each other. The license 130 may be stored in the memory 620 or cache of the storage system 630 or the server, and this can enable the client to access content on the server 102 that is covered by the license 130.

Please modify the paragraph that begins on page 17, line 6, as follows:

It will be apparent to one of ordinary skill in the art that the client computer system 100 and server computer system 102 described are illustrative, and alternative systems and architectures may be used with the present invention. For example, FIG. 7 is a schematic diagram illustrating the distribution of content between servers and clients in accordance with an embodiment of the invention. Content providers 540a, 540b create, store, and deploy digital content 120d, 120e from their respective server

102a, 102b by storing licenses 130d, 130e. The digital content 120d, 120e is accessed through the Internet ~~[[108]]~~ 208. Content providers 540a, 540b have web servers 102a, 102b respectively, that execute web server software (not shown) to process requests from users 550a-e of client systems 100a-e. Web servers 102a, 102b respond to these requests by sending the requested digital content 120d, 120e to the clients 100a-e. The client runtime engines 114a-e run the downloaded content if a valid license 130d, 130e is found on the server.

Please modify the paragraph that begins on page 17, line 26, as follows:

LAN 47 is connected to a wide area network (WAN) 48, such as the Internet, through gateway 49, which may be a dedicated device, or may be a computer or server, similar to computers 43, 44 and 45, or server 46. By sending communications across WAN 48, any of the devices connected to LAN ~~[[49]]~~ 47 may communicate with remote server 50, or with other devices or networks connected to WAN 48. Computers 43, 44 and 45 may gain access to information and software components on other computers through WAN 48.